

IT IS EASIER TO FIGHT FOR ONE'S PRINCIPLES THAN TO LIVE UP TO THEM.—Alfred Adler.

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Reviewing News in the Citizen in 1952

January

Carl Larson suffered severe arm and leg cuts when a board saw was started while he was filling.

Bethel's new grade school building was named "Crescent Park School" at a meeting of the Parent Teacher Association. The name was suggested by Mrs R. R. Thibbets.

Floyd and Albert Kimball caught an otter in one of their beaver traps in Greenwood.

Carleton Barker of East Stoneham was elected president of the Oxford County Rural Mail Carriers Association.

The town of Rumford purchased a 750-gallon American-LaFrance pumper with a five-man cab and 300-gallon booster tank.

The Bethel ski slope was well-preserved.

Merritt Kimball of Waterford shipped 3,069 deerskins to a Johnson, N. Y., firm.

Deaths: Glen R. Mason, Ernest J. Curtis, Mrs. Matti Helkkinen, Fred A. Wright, Clifford F. Adams, Herbert W. Jackson, James Mundt, Mrs. Viola Kimball, Valentine J. Oja, Carl F. Upton, King Bartlett, Mrs. Eileen A. Elwell, Lewis Chadwick.

February

A large bobcat was seen on the lawn of Mr and Mrs Ralph Moore, Paradise Street.

The town of Rumford voted a \$250,000 bond issue to finance construction of a Virginia school building. Total town meeting appropriations were \$687,371.

Following a rear-end collision a caboose and freight car were burned in Gilread. The fire occurred when the east bound way freight crashed into a train stalled in drifting snow. None was injured.

Avoiding collision with a snowplow a Speedway trailer truck plunged down a steep bank in Gilread. The 13-ton load was pulled back to the highway by three tractors.

Sumner Pike, former member of the Atomic Energy Commission, was a guest speaker at Gould Academy.

The home of Mr and Mrs Stuart Martin at Rumford Point with all furnishings and clothing was burned.

Deaths: Veer W. Bean, Mrs Odian Turner, Arthur R. Littlehale, Mrs. Corn M. Crockett, Mrs Erva B. Greene, Dr Claude U. Abbott, Clarence W. Judkins, Mrs Ethel C. Mills, Mrs Ordeca K. Foster, Fred W. Rowell.

March

Bethel town meeting appropriations amounted to \$100,441.

The Bethel Shrine Club was organized with 50 Shriners present at the first meeting.

Miss Ella Smith of Dixfield celebrated her 100th birthday.

Paris voted to raise \$200,000 for a high school building.

2,000 telephones were cut off.

MRS. GLADYS TYLER NAMED HONORARY 4-H MEMBER

Richard Shibles, of Knox, was awarded the Alpha Zeta certificate as the outstanding 4-H club boy in Maine Monday evening, Dec. 29, during the State 4-H Contest at the University of Maine. The Maine Bankers Association awards of \$25 defense bonds went to Alice Esancy, of South China; Kathryn Keay, of Albion; Patricia Twitchell, of Turner; Ada Mae Lewis, of Pittsfield; and Jahice Shaw, of Sangererville. Named as honorary 4-H club members were Mrs Gladys Tyler, of East Bethel; and Mrs Hattie Clark, of Alfred.

When a cable was cut while men at Rumford were working on water pipes.

Deaths: Edgar E Cross, William E Billington, Herbert I Bean, Ivan Farrand.

April

Mr and Mrs Lester Turner of Buckfield celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary.

The E L Tebbetts Spool Co. of Locke Mills was beginning the manufacture of "holdster blocks" for its parent company, Elco Pro-

ducts.

An article on Gould Academy, written by Edmond Vachon, was a feature of the Spring Issue of the Pine Cone.

The First National Store in Bethel closed after 20 years' operation and the manager, Clyde Brooks, opened a Nation-Wide store in the same location.

The garage formerly owned and operated by Warren Blake, was bought by Bennett's Garage, Inc., who also sold their taxi business to J. B. Chapman.

The general store of Mr and Mrs Everett Randall, Paris Hill, burned with an estimated \$25,000 loss. The unoccupied Universalist Church nearby was damaged.

Melvin K. Allen was burned to death when his East Stoneham cabin was destroyed by fire.

Death: Bert Bennett, George N. Thompson, Mrs. Mary Bennett, Michael J. Marshall, Fred A. Dunham, Miss Orr W. Bonney, Brenda Brown, Walter W. Brinck, Freeman Richardson, Mrs. Amelia Schwind, Ralph Bacon, Guy Bates, Mrs. Olive Wood.

May

Mr and Mrs Arthur Andrews of Bryant Pond were honored at a surprise party on their 48th wed-

dding anniversary. 150 attended.

Walter Littlefield of Magalloway was instantly killed when the loading crane for which he was hitching tons on logs touched a high tension wire.

The former Hutchinson house on Grover Hill was burned. Although delayed by muddy road the firemen saved the barn.

Beryllium Development, Inc., a subsidiary of the Beryllium Corporation, began work of exploration, development and mining of pegmatites in the Newry Mountain district.

Henry Boyer announced his candidacy for governor on an independent ticket.

"Mike" Loops, Colby College athletic director, was speaker at the

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The Week in Oxford County

The Oxford County Square Dance Association sponsored a square dance at the East Summer Grange Hall Wednesday evening. The Androscoggin County Square Dance Association were special guests. Alice Dudley of Bryant Pond was one of the callers.

The Oxford County Rural Mail Carriers Association and Auxiliary are holding their annual meeting at the Pine St. Fire Hall, South Paris, this Thursday. Golden Link Circle, Mount Pleasant, Rebeckah Lodge, served dinner.

John Currier, 100 years old, of South Paris, was pictured the head of a five generation group on Christmas Day at a dinner at his daughter's, Mrs. Cesaree Prescott, at Mechanic Falls.

The Oxford County Youth for Christ group held watch night services at the Baptist Church, South Paris, Wednesday, from 8 p.m. until after 12 o'clock midnight.

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According to an announcement Tuesday morning Clement G. Libby, Waterford,

has been made superintendent of the Electrical-Chemical Plant of the Oxford Paper Co.

The large dowel mill of R. J. Swain and Company in Andover was destroyed by fire or undetermined origin early Wednesday morning. The mill is a total loss together with much new equipment. The damage was officially estimated at \$10,000.

Francis M. Carroll of South Paris has been cleared of the Littlefield murder case. James P. Arcoria, investigator for the Attorney General, who has led a year long investigation, reported Wednesday, in effect that Carroll appears innocent of killing either Dr Littlefield or Mrs Littlefield in 1937.

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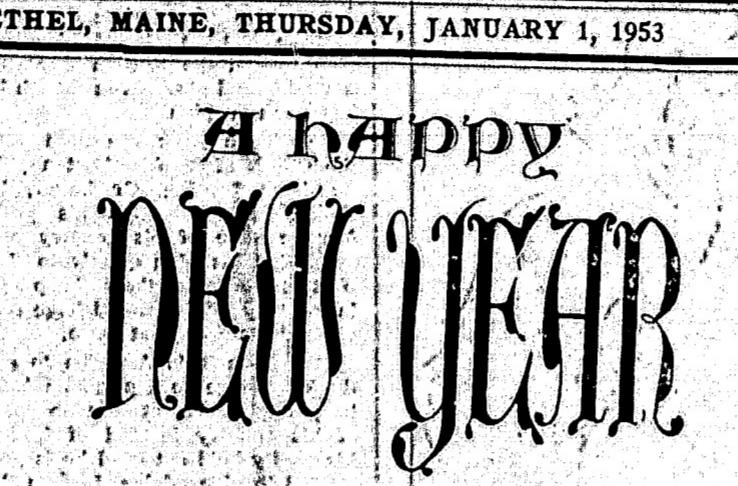
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THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Mrs. Thomas Brown is visiting her sister, Mrs. Effie Akers, in Natick, Mass.

Mr and Mrs Royden Keddy of Boston spent the weekend end with Simeon Keddy.

Miss Alice Barker left Monday to spend the winter with Mr and Mrs Fred Scribner, South Paris.

Mr and Mrs Wilbert Bartlett and children, Hampden, spent the weekend end with Mrs Grace Bartlett.

The WSCS met this afternoon at the parsonage. Mrs Earl Davis had charge of the program and devotions.

Mrs Rita Stmans and children of Conway, N. H., are spending the winter with Mr and Mrs Winfield Churchill.

Roger Adams of Boston University is spending Christmas vacation with his mother, Mrs Katherine Adams.

Lt Col Julian Casse of New York City was a guest at the home of Mrs Addie Ramsell during the holiday week.

Cammie and Bonnie Whitman have been guests of their grandmother, Mrs Clarence W. Buck, at Norway this week.

Mrs Ray York is spending two weeks with Mr and Mrs Gilbert LeClair and infant daughter in New Britain, Conn.

Rev David Hickland went to Maynard, Mass., Tuesday called there by the death of his brother, Alexander Hickland.

Raymond York, USN, stationed at Winter Harbor, Maine, arrived home the afternoon of Christmas Day, for a short leave.

George Eppier returned to New York Wednesday after spending several days with his brother, Charles Eppier, and family.

Miss Mary Ann Nickerson of Mars Hill and Miss Beverly Fowles of Groveton N. H., are guests at Mr and Mrs Lawrence Lord's.

Miss Leonora Hodgdon of Red Bank, N. J., is spending her vacation with her sisters, Mrs. W. J. Upson and Miss Fannie Hodgdon.

Mr and Mrs Henry Hastings spent the weekend in Boston. Mrs. Lillian MacKinnon, Mexico, stayed with Stephen Hastings while his parents were away.

Fred Howard, town manager of Rumford will speak on "Town Manager Form of Government" at the Chamber of Commerce meeting next Tuesday evening.

Mr and Mrs Ralph Perkins visited his brother, Richard Perkins, last week. Mr Perkins is a teacher in the Valley Forge Military Academy, Wayne, Pa.

Mr and Mrs Marster York, Plainfield, Vt., and Mr and Mrs. Jesse Doyen and family of Portland were guests at Wesley Whelchel's during the holidays.

Why do taxes remain hidden?

The answer is apparent. You would know where to place the blame for high prices. You would realize that government is costly and extravagant." — Pawtucket Central Falls (R.I.) Times.

Perhaps the world should explore, as never before, the possibility of bigger and better markets. It would cut out world wars.

—Northampton (Mass.) Hampshire Gazette.

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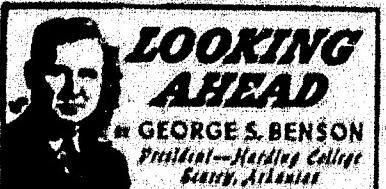
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Six Laws to Keep

A friend recently returned from abroad and expressed his amazement to me over how terribly confused the English and European people are in the field of economic knowledge. In England and on the continent the Socialists and Communists together have waged a successful campaign of misleading propaganda against "American capitalism" that the people now identify it with "monopoly, a ruling class, lack of competition, cartels," and other factors which have characterized the England and European forms of "capitalism" for more than a hundred years.

The same forces have long been at work here, trying to confuse us and undermine our confidence in and respect for the American way of life, as they can take over. For this reason it is doubly necessary for every American citizen to know that the American governmental and economic systems are unique. There has never been anything like them, anywhere. In combination they give the American people the most successful way of life, economically speaking; and the most satisfying, spiritually, that mankind has ever known.

Out of Religious Faith

America's Republican form of government, with its Constitutional powers wonderfully balanced between the executive, the legislative and the judicial branches, provides the indispensable for human progress. Liberty and Justice for all. It provides the strong house in which our equally unique economic system lives and flourishes.

America's economic system grew out of the deep religious faith, the love of freedom and the costly experiences of the founding fathers at Jamestown and Plymouth colony. Its nature is shaped in the philosophy of capitalism. Its structure and activity is founded upon six natural laws. They are: (1) The individual's right to own property; (2) Freedom in the market place; (3) The incentive of profit; (4) The spur of competition; (5) Freedom of employees; (6) A discipline force.

The Foremost Is—

1. Private property is the first and foremost. This is the right to keep what you make and use it as you see fit. It means the right to keep your own income, to own your home, your car, your tools, and your savings. It is the economic and social principle upon which human progress must be built. Without the right of private property we would have a domain of public property—a government owning all.

2. Freedom in the market place permits you to buy from the lowest bidder and sell to the highest. The collective desire of the consuming public for goods, the amount of money each consumer has, and the availability of the desired product, together determine the price in the market place. In the free market the consumers are the bosses. This requires producers to serve the public as the public wishes. Under socialism the state, which is the producer, serves the public as the state wishes.

Incentive and Competition

3. The natural law of incentives is at work in everything human beings do. It cannot be killed even under dictators or by socialism, though in both cases its great force for good is diverted. Profit is an incentive. So is wages.

4. Competition is the spirit of life and in our American economic system the major benefits of competition go to the consuming public. A Henry Ford tries to build the best automobile in the light car field. Chevrolet and Plymouth try to give a bigger dollar's worth than Ford. As a result after year the buyers get bigger dollar values in all three cars.

5. Only free employees have the incentives and the initiative to keep maintain high productivity, which is essential to a high standard of living. Freedom for employees can prevail only under a privately owned economy, as England has proved during the past seven years.

LET THE CALAMITY-HOWLING STOP! THIS IS A NEW YEAR — LET'S BEGIN IT WITH CONFIDENCE, BASED ON RENEWED FAITH IN GOD, IN OUR COUNTRY, IN OUR LEADERS, AND IN OUR STRENGTH!!!

KEYNOTE—1953



DALE CARNEGIE

* AUTHOR OF "HOW TO STOP WORRYING AND START LIVING"

The Friendly Smirk

HERE IN BRIEF is a practice that will benefit every one of us to apply. Frances Marjory Scooley, 12 Depot Street, Middletown, New York, says she decided to practice smiling for one week and note the results.

Tuesday, Election Day, she smiled and greeted all those she knew and called them by name—the mailman, the watchers of the election board.

The next day she was called in to help out at a Rummage Sale. As this was her day off and no work, she did not relish the idea, but thought it a good way to put over some of her theories. In charge of socks, shirts and pants, she demonstrated the goods at low prices. A good business resulted.

Wednesday, it rained all day but she went to work with renewed determination to keep smiling. She asked the other girls to help her out with smiling.

Thursday, after work, she had a choir rehearsal, and put more vim and vigor into singing by really opening her mouth and smiling.

Friday, she attended a committee meeting now and then connected with her church. For once she did not sit and listen but questioned and suggested a few ideas for the Christmas Party. And she kept on smiling.

Saturday, when she totaled up the score, she found the week had fairly flown. The sales at the store sowed a good increase over the last year, due, she believes, to a pleasant and smiling attitude.

Economic Highlights

Happenings That Affect the Future of Every Individual — National and International Problems Inseparable From Local Welfare

The Eisenhower Administration, all the signposts say, will be based on two patterns—that of the military and that of business. The military phase is found in the staff system which the President-elect has begun to establish as a functioning organism. He will be receptive to advice and discussion. Then, once a decision is reached, he will expect it to be carried out without dissent and with all good will on the parts of the lieutenants concerned. It is extremely unlikely that the top men in his administration, especially those of Cabinet rank, will issue conflicting statements and advocate opposed policies—something that has happened time and time again during President Truman's tenure.

The business phase is found in his emphasis on getting full value for each dollar spent—whether it be in national defense, foreign aid, or anything else. His appointments reflect that attitude. Most of the men chosen have had to deal with budgets, payrolls and ever-mounting taxes. They have had to make their way in the intensely competitive world of industry. Eisenhower has shown no liking for theorists and academicians—the kind who mind so much about under-roof, roof, and he has shown none for the so-called "practical politicians" who have held the center of the stage under Truman.

It has been observed that Governor Dewey has been a potent force in shaping up the form and face of the next Administration. Various reasons account for this.

One is the extraordinarily effective job done by Dewey and his assistants in swinging the Republican convention to Eisenhower.

Another reason is that Dewey as Governor of New York has established one of the most business-like regimes in the history of politics.

Political considerations are not forgotten—no one goes far or lasts long in national life who forgets these important matters. But the Dewey Way.

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WAY

BRYANT POND

— Mrs. Edith C. Abbott, Corres.

MRS. LUCY J. BEAN

Mrs Lucy J. Bean died at her home here Friday night after several weeks of illness. She was born at Woodstock, the daughter of George and Esther Pearce Crockett. She was educated in the Woodstock schools and taught in the Gore School. She married Edward O'Bean on Sept. 12, 1894, who died in 1936. They lived in the Gore neighborhood many years; then built house on Main St. and moved to Bryant Pond. She was a member of Franklin Grange, Woodstock Extension Association, and the Ladies' Circle of the Universalist Church. She was active and interested in all these organizations. Mrs Bean is survived by one daughter, Mrs Esther Pierce, Norway; by two sons, Clifton Bean, Rumford and Chester Bean, Bryant Pond. Funeral services were held at the Bryant Pond Universalist Church, Monday at 2 p.m., conducted by Rev Gordon G Newell, Rumford. Bearers were Harris Hathaway, Ellis Davis, John Hemingway and Carl Brooks. Burial was in the Lakeside Cemetery.

Pvt Richard Cole, who is stationed at Indiantown Gap Military Reservation, Pa., was at the home of his parents, Mr and Mrs Herman Cole, North Woodstock, for a short leave over Christmas.

Mr and Mrs Theodore Dunham have received word that their son, Roland, is stationed in Texas. His address is: Pvt. Roland Dunham, U.S. 51-58-123, Btry D, 8th Det., AAA RIC, Fort Bliss, Texas.

Christmas day guests at the home of Mrs Walter Ordway and Mr and Mrs G Howard Judkins, included Mrs Charles Taylor, Mr and Mrs Wesley Moore, and daughters, Charlene, Diane, and Katherine, Frye; Mr and Mrs Werner Littlehale, and Miss Donna Littlehale, Wilson's Mills; Laurie Littlehale, Augusta; Sherman Ordway and daughter, Elizabeth, Rumford. Four generations were represented by Mrs Ordway, Mrs Taylor, Mrs Moore and daughter, Charlene.

Miss Orene Whitman, a student nurse at Maine Medical Center, Portland, was the recent guest of her parents, Mr and Mrs Nelson Whitman.

A stated meeting of Jefferson Chapter, OES, was held Friday evening with a good attendance. This was preceded by a Swedish smorgasbord supper in charge of Mrs Alice Dudley. She was assisted by Mrs Fannie Cummings, Mrs Arline MacKillop, Mrs Beatrice Farnum, Mrs Virginia Mills, and Miss Alice Farnum. After the meeting, the same committee presented an interesting program of Christmas customs in other lands: Mexican and Swedish; trimming a human Christmas tree and exchange of gifts and concluding by singing "Silent Night." The next stated meeting, January 23, will be the annual meeting and election of officers.

Dexter Stowell, University of Maine; Misses Sylvie and Sandra Stowell, Bob Jones University, Greenville, S. C., spent the Christmas vacation at the home of their parents, Mr and Mrs H Kirks Stowell.

Sterling Mills was at the home of his parents, Mr and Mrs Norman Mills for the Christmas recess at Lee Academy.

Mrs Fannie Ross spent Christmas with Mr and Mrs Randall Williams at Rumford.

Mr and Mrs Charles Dunham and son, Raymond, accompanied their son-in-law, Stanley Smith to Kingston, R. I., Wednesday, where they were the guests of the Smith family, returning home Saturday.

Mrs Carrie DaVee spent Christmas at Portland with her granddaughter, Mrs Gertrude Leo. Her daughters, Mrs Harriett Farnum and Miss Yerda DaVee were also present.

Mr and Mrs Glimian Whitman were the guests over Christmas of Mr parents, Mr and Mrs C Ferdinand Whitman at Lynn, Mass.

Mrs John Pellerine, Portland, was the guest of her daughter and husband, Mr and Mrs Rupert Hathaway, Rumford Ave., several days. Mr Pellerine was a Christmas day guest at the Hathaway home.

Mrs Fred M Cole visited her brother, Robert Cushman and family, at Auburn over the holidays.

D. of U. V. NOTES

Judith Grover Tent, No. 17, D. of U. V. held their last meeting of the year on Monday evening at the home of Mrs Arthur Andrews. Several matters of business were discussed and acted upon. Beatles Farnum reported that a Christmas box for the veterans at Togus had been sent. The President appointed Jack and Clara Whitman to serve on the refreshment committee for the month of January. Next meeting will be Installation of Officers with Past President Beatles Farnum acting as installing officer. A short Christmas program, followed by an exchange of gifts was enjoyed. Candy and popcorn were served.

WEST BETHEL

— Mrs Ruth Gilbert, Corres.

Sgt and Mrs Richard Thompson and daughter, Rebecca, of Freeport, have been guests of Mr and Mrs Burton Newton for several days.

Mr and Mrs Charles Hancock and Mrs Charles Byers were in Hanover Monday night.

Miss Wilma Croteau, Faye Secretarial School, Boston, called on Mr and Mrs Charles Hancock last week.

Mr and Mrs Charles Byers spent Christmas at St Johnsbury, Vt., as guests of their daughter, Mrs Clark Johnson and family.

Mr and Mrs Paul Croteau, West Greenwood, called on Mr and Mrs Charles Hancock, Christmas Eve.

Marvin Kendall has returned to Boston after spending the holiday and week end with Mr and Mrs Clayton Kendall.

Burton Rolfe, U. S. Navy, has been spending several days leave with Mr and Mrs Bernard Rolfe.

Pvt Stanley Clough returned to Fort Bragg after several days leave with his family.

Mrs Roger Clough is confined by illness.

Mrs Edward Casey and daughter, Sharon, have joined Mr Casey in Conn, where he is employed.

Mr and Mrs Herman Morse, of Norway, were guests of Mr and Mrs Bernard Rolfe, Sunday.

EAST BETHEL

— Mrs. David S. Foster, Corres.

A big Christmas and Sunshine Basket was given to Mr and Mrs Edward Billings by the people of the community.

Leland Coolidge lost a toenail from dropping a stick of pulp on it. At last reports it was much better.

Mrs Marguerite Bartlett is taking in her car to 4-H State Camp at Orono the following: Mrs Gladys Tyler and Miss Dorothy Bartlett of New Hampshire showed slides and told the Christmas story.

Billy Knights, a Cub Scout, went with other Cub Scouts and regular Scouts caroling Monday night of last week. They all came and sang to Grammie Knights.

Pvt Richard Cole, Indian Town Gap, Pa., was a holiday guest of his parents and other relatives and friends.

Mr and Mrs Donald Clifford and daughter of Rumford visited one evening recently at Edgar Davis'.

Mr and Mrs Herschel Abbott of Cambridge, Mass., visited several days last week with his parents, Mr and Mrs George Abbott.

Mrs Charles Billings and son, Dexter, were at Norway, Monday, Christmas.

Mr and Mrs John Hemingway were with Mr and Mrs William Emerson, West Sumner.

Mr and Mrs Lee Billings, Linda, Louise and Malcolm, and Lloyd Davis were with Mr and Mrs Edgar Davis, Robert and Phillip.

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GREENWOOD CENTER

— Sandra Martin, Correspondent

Mrs Beryl Martin and children called on Lewis Libby recently.

Mr and Mrs Edgar Rainey called at Beryl Martin's Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Harold Churchill were in West Poland recently.

Mr and Mrs Beryl Martin were in Norway Wednesday.

Many have had bad colds and the flu in this vicinity.

Clem Lane is visiting Mr and Mrs Alvin Gross and family.

Dana Bean is visiting Peter Baker.

Strange Facts About Polio

— WALTER DAVIS,

TEXAS A&M TRACK STAR OF NETHERLAND, TEXAS, STRICKEN WITH POLIO AT THE AGE OF 8, WAS NEVER EXPECTED TO WALK AGAIN!



10-DAY-OLD
JIMMY SCHMIDER,
OF MONROE, WIS.,
YOUNGEST
POLIO PATIENT
OF 1952.

HE WON
FIRST PLACE IN
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A LONG-TERM IRON LUNG PATIENT
SPENDS AN AVERAGE OF
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ALBANY HUNTS CORNER—

— AND VICINITY—

— Mrs. Harlan Bumpus, Corres.

The Rev W I Bull conducted the church service Sunday.

Mr and Mrs John Spinney were supper guests of Mr and Mrs Harold Nutting and family Christmas Day. They also were visitors of Mr and Mrs Irwin Hutchinson.

Mr and Mrs Harlan Bumpus and family spent Christmas Day with Mr and Mrs Harry Bumpus and family at Auburn.

Mrs Laura Pinkham is spending a few days with Mr and Mrs Hugo Stearns and family.

The Pilgrim Fellowship gave their Christmas Play at the Church Vestry Saturday evening with a good attendance.

John Spinney worked for Roy Wardwell a couple of days last week.

Middle Intervale Road—

— Mary C. Stanley, Correspondent

Mr and Mrs Walter Reed spent Christmas with Mrs Reed's brother and family at Greene.

Mr and Mrs Carey Stevens and Ronald Stevens and Mrs Sarah Morgan were Christmas guests of Mr and Mrs Albert Johnson and family at Bailey's Island.

Mrs Verna Carter is making a good recovery at the CMG Hospital.

Mr and Mrs John Kennagh entertained their grandson, Brand F McAllister of Sampson Air Force Base, Geneva, N. Y., one day last week. After a family reunion on Christmas Day, he left for Texas where he is to attend Training School.

Mrs Ray Colton and family of Mechanic Falls spent Sunday at Lyndell Carter's, Thimby Carter, who has been visiting his cousins returned with them.

Mr and Mrs Raymond Buck were in Lewiston shopping recently.

Mr and Mrs Roy Millett of South Paris and Miss Virginia Millett, R. N., of Port Chester, N. Y., were callers at Tommy Kenagh's Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Rudy Waldron of Billings, Montana, and Mr and Mrs George Waldron of Poland, took dinner at their camp Friday of last week.

Mr and Mrs Kendrick R Judkins and daughter have gone to New York for a visit with her father.

Madelaine Worster and family of Connecticut were in town Saturday and took dinner with Mr and Mrs E Allen.

Richard Williamson has returned home from Portland where he underwent surgery. He is recovering as well as expected.

Mr and Mrs Ban Barnett entertained several of their children and families at Christmas dinner and tree.

Electric lights have been installed in the Ralph Brown house, where Roland Bernier is now living.

Mr and Mrs John Hemingway were with Mr and Mrs William Emerson, West Sumner.

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FRESH EGGS delivered daily in Bethel village. Orders taken for Saturday delivery of dressed fowl. CHARLES BLAKE, Tel. 11-12.

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LABELLETS - Your name and address on gummed paper \$1.50 per sheet for \$1.00. THE CITIZEN OFFICE.

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Leave shoes at the Bethel Spa for repair and clothes to clean Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. EXCEL CLEANERS AND DRYERS, INC., Auburn, Maine. 44-1.

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LEAVE SHOES AT EARL DAVIS for repair. RICHARD'S SHOE SHOP, Gorham, N. H. 40-4.

PIANO, TUNING - CALVIN COLE, Locke Mills, Maine. Tel. Bethel 23-6. 44-471.

MAINE 4-H CLUB WORK ROOMS

Four-4-H club work in Maine is booming with boys and girls enrolled in nearly 1,500 more projects than a year ago at this time. Twelve counties have increased in 4-H enrollment over 1952. Penobscot, Cumberland, Androscoggin, Sagadahock, and Hancock counties have the largest 4-H enrollments so far. Making the best increases over a year ago are Piscataquis, Franklin, and Lincoln counties. The total 4-H project enrollment of nearly 4,000 will be about doubled by the end of the enrollment year on June 30, 1953. Any Maine boy or girl between the ages of 10 and 21 is eligible for 4-H club membership.

If our individual performances as poster how humble our place in life may be, that will in the long run determine how well ordered the world may become. — Paul G Facker

STRENGTH FOR THESE DAYS
The Bible
For those art my rock and my fortress therefore for Thy Name's sake lead me and guide me. — Psalm XXXI, 4.

Of what benefit or value is the leadership or advice of the wisest and ablest of men if they themselves are without the guidance of God? We know from the Bible that such blessed guidance is not, however, reserved to any one set of men but is available to the least of us who through righteousness will make ourselves worthy in the sight of the Lord and seek His help.

Twenty words or less, one week, 30 cents; additional weeks, 20 cents. More than 20 words, one and one-half cents per word the first week; additional weeks, one cent per word.

Advertisements in care of the Citizen, 10 cents per insertion additional.

Display advertising in classified columns, 20 cents per inch.

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THE UNIVERSAL

It is doubtful if there are any other two passages of the Bible that convey a deeper message of Faith in one over ruling Power of the Universe than the 23rd Psalm and the Lord's Prayer. These simple, humble statements of Faith and Gratitude directed to Almighty God have made an indelible imprint on the History of Man's search for Truth.

The men who framed these mighty words were standing in the presence of the One and Only God. For them, the search for Truth had brought its great reward—the clouds of confusion had passed away, and the light of the Great Intelligence shown round about them. The Old Testament Prophet raised his eyes to the heavens above in gratitude and began, "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want". The New Testament Author began, "Our Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name".

Thus to the humble people of the world was bequeathed the message of the Universal Fatherhood of God, and stamped with the seal of approval, by the Man of Galilee, Jesus of Nazareth.

Harold C. Perlman,
West Paris, Maine

The price of a \$2,000 automobile includes \$625 of taxes collected by local, State, and Federal governments on about 200 transactions that go into its production, according to Rep Tolleson of Washington.

SOCIETY DIRECTORY

Mt. Abram Lodge, No. 31, I. O. O. F. Meets Friday evenings, N. G. Lynn Bennett, Secretary, Rodney Hanacom.

Sunset Reheleath Lodge, No. 64, Meets first and third Monday evenings, N. G. Ella Cole, Red. Secretary, Ilida Donahue.

Bethel Lodge, No. 67, F. & A. M. Meets second Thursday evenings, W. M. Ernest Perkins, Secretary, Ernest Mundt.

Purity Chapter, No. 102, O. E. S. Meets first Wednesday evenings, W. M. Ade Cummings, Secretary, Ethel Blase.

Plumfield Valley Grange, No. 184, West Bethel. Meets second and fourth Thursdays. Master, Chester Wheeler. Secretary, Miss Patricia Davis.

Bethel Lions Club, Meets second and fourth Mondays. President, Henry Hastings, Secretary, J. Russell Graham.

Bethel Chamber of Commerce, Meets first Tuesdays. President, Wilbur Myers, Secretary, Henry Hastings.

W. S. G. S. Methodist Church, Meets first Thursday afternoons. President, Sadie Brooks, Secretary, Doris Brown.

Ladies Club, Congregational Church. Meets first and third Thursday afternoons. President, Ferol Godwin, Secretary, Mrs. McNichols.

Reeves Gordon Guild. Meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings. President, Arlene Walker, Secretary, Dolly Robertson.

The Guild, Congregational Church. Meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings. President, Mrs Frances Potter, Secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth Glass.

Men's Brotherhood, Methodist Church. Meets last Tuesday evenings. President, Robert Keniston, Secretary, Donald Carlisle.

Parent Teacher Association, Meets third Tuesday evenings. President, Addison Saunders, Secretary, Josephine Whitman.

Five Town Teachers' Club. Meets first Monday evening. President, Ruth Hastings. Secretary, Doris Ford.

Mundi-Alien Post, No. 31, American Legion. Meets second and fourth Tuesday evenings. Commander, Herbert Kittridge, Adjutant, John Compas.

Mundi-Alien Unit, No. 31, American Legion Auxiliary. Meets second and fourth Tuesday evenings. President, Adeline Dexter, Secretary, Ilida Donahue.

Alder River Grange, No. 185, East Bethel. Meets first and third Friday evenings. Master, Louise Coolidge, Secretary, Marguerite Bartlett.

Bear River Grange, No. 222, Newell Center. Meets every other Saturday. Master, Ernest J. Holl, Secretary, Ida Wright.

Bethel Players. Meets third Monday, 8 p. m. President, Frank Noyes, Secretary, Sylvia Sloan.

SONGO POND

Mrs. Ralph Kimball, Corres.

Mrs. Zella Smith has returned

from the CMG Hospital and is convalescing at the home of her

sister, Mrs. Hollis Grindle.

Frank and Earl Smith of Locke

Mills spent Christmas with Mr.

Smith at Hollis Grindle's.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Cross and son,

Duane, were home for Christmas.

Edward, Lapham and little

daughter and Mrs. Mary Warren

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ton and daughter, Lona, Mr. and

Mrs. Raymond Aarsenaut and chil

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Eve Party of Mr. and Mrs. William

Kimball and Brenda at South Wa

terford.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Chapman

and daughter had Christmas dinner

with Mr. and Mrs. Robert

Chapman and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Millett and

two children were guests Christma

s Day with Mrs. Marion Kimball

and children.

Robert Osgood spent Christmas

Day with Mrs. Marion Kimball and

children.

Mrs. Etta Bartlett spent Christma

s Eve and Day with Mrs. Amy

Bunker.

Mr. and Mrs. George Logan and

three boys were guests at a family

party Christmas Day of Mrs.

Hilda LaFrance and family in

Norway.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Bean and

children spent Christmas and the

long week end with relatives in

Roxbury.

Pvt Harry Moore of Colorado

was calling at George Logan's re

centary.

Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Hastings

had Christmas morning breakfast

and enjoyed the tree with Ralph

Kimball and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kimball wen

t to Unity Christmas Day and re

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a family party of 26 for Christ

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Mr. and Mrs. Leon Keniston or

tinated Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Al

bert Keniston, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd

Keniston and family of Portland

Miss Phyllis Keniston of New

York, Mr. and Mrs. Lute Andrews,

Ivan Stowe has been ill with the

flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Thurston and

Karen Rumford, and Mr. and Mrs.

Tom Puglisi and two children of

South Portland spent Christmas

with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Learned.

George Learned Jr. has gone to

Miami, Fla., where he has em

ployed with the Pan American

Steel Co.

The "Ladies Church Circle" will

be held at the home of Mrs. Chester

Chapman, at 7:30 p. m. Jan. 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Vall, Den

ham, Mass., were guests last week

of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Enman and

Mrs. Walter Vall.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Lane have a

baby girl born Dec. 26 at the Rum

ford Community Hospital.

Wade Robertson spent Christmas

Day with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Beaujolais,

Mexico, Mexico, and Miss Doris Beaujolais, Boston, Mass., were Sunday

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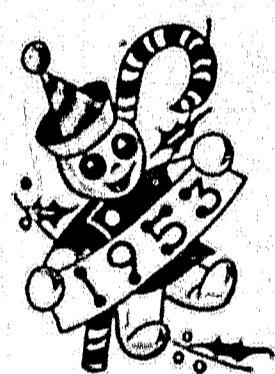
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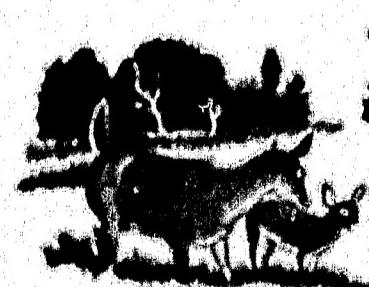
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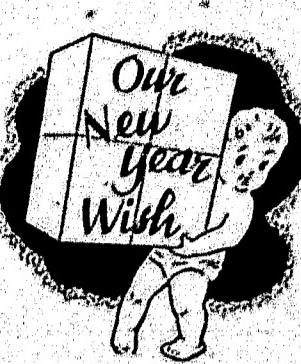
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Thank you for your good wishes. We return them with interest.

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Wrap yourself in success and achievement in the days ahead.

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May you find peace and success throughout the year.
1953

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Just for you... our hope that the year has only good things to offer.

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It's a pleasure to look forward to another year among you.

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Our affection
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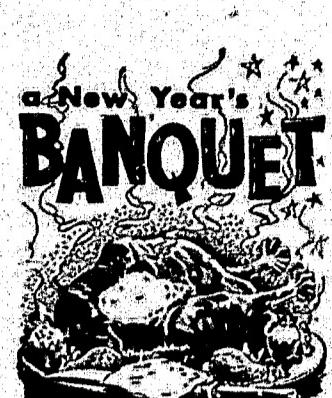
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a bigger, better,
and happier New
Year for 1953.

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Each of you deserves a pat
on the back for making
this community a fine
place in which to
welcome the
New Year.
1953

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1953
Bountiful wishes
for peace and
prosperity in
the days
before us.

Bethel Red & White
STUART F. MARTIN



Thank you for your
year-round
good will.
1953

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Our thanks to
everyone in
town for his
good will
and friendship.
1953

Ruth Carver Ames



We're calling
for a New Year that will
ring in a new era of
peace and prosperity.
1953

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MARY BISHOP, Proprietor



We'll bring to
mind your
friendship
throughout
the year.

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Our hearts
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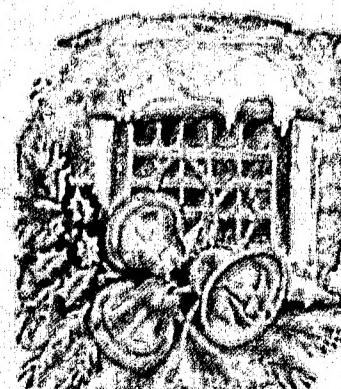
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Dimes Must Match New Polio Gains

For the second time since it was inaugurated a decade and a half ago, the March of Dimes in 1953 will run for full month, from January 2 through January 31.

This decision was forced by the record number of polio cases reported in 1952 and the tens of thousands of patients stricken in previous years who still needed medical aid from the March of Dimes.

Another factor which led to the extended campaign period was the considerable expense of carrying the research fight against polio out of the laboratories and into the ranks of man himself.

44,000 Get Direct Help

Of the more than 52,000 persons treated for polio in 1952, approximately 44,000 were assisted in whole or in part by the March of Dimes.

The field trials to test the effectiveness of a possible prevention of paralytic polio were undertaken by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis in addition to other vital research projects. Some 55,000 youngsters took part in the trials.

Basil O'Connor, president of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, in commenting on the need for a month-long instead of a two-week campaign, said, "It seems that as scientists approach closer to the conquest of polio, polio itself is mobilizing all its forces to attack mankind with ever-increasing savagery."

"It is as if the foe, listening to its own death knell, is testing to the limit the determination of the American people and attempting to wreck the morale which has sustained us and inspired us to carry the fight to the very threshold of victory."

Must Not Falter

"We must not falter now. With victory delicately poised in the balance against unprecedented problems, we must throw all our weight on the side of the polio fighters regardless of the cost. We must contribute more devotion, more energy and more money than ever before to the 1953 March of Dimes."

Half of all money contributed to the March of Dimes is used by our county chapter to help pay cost of treating local polio patients or, in emergencies, polio patients elsewhere. The other 50 per cent finances March of Dimes research, professional education and epidemic aid programs.

Years Ago

10 YEARS AGO

At a special Corporation meeting a new site which was voted.

John McClain was principal of Bethel Grammar School.

Heavy snow hampered rail traffic.

Trains were hours off time.

Death: George F. Felton.

50 YEARS AGO

Over 150 cases of flu were reported in Bethel and vicinity.

The Scout troop began preparing for the jamboree. H. R. Bean was scoutmaster.

Chester A. Cummings was appointed a deputy sheriff for Oxford County.

Death: John Preston True.

50 YEARS AGO

Mrs. Rebecca Israelson, Rumford, installed the officers of Brown Relief Corps.

J. L. Edwards went to Augusta to attend the legislative session as a representative.

Bethel Inn entertained 60 guests for winter sports.

Death: Helen Staples.

YEARS AGO

A movement was started to secure funds to have a basketball court for Gould Academy.

Dr. W. R. Tibbets was elected vice-president at the Oxford County Medical Society.

15 YEARS AGO

Logging business was going to North Albany. Nine two-horse teams were hauling sawed lumber to Geo. Tolp's from the Paris Mfg. Co.'s mill.

It was reported a ground was to be cleared on the North side of the river at Gillett.

Death: Asa Burnham Garrison.

BORN

In Bethel, Dec. 22, to Mr. and Mrs. James A. Higgins, a son, Alfred Hale, Mrs. Amy Bennett; Jean Miller, Mrs. Minnie H. Mann; Rev. Hermon H. Colby.

MARRIED

In Bethel, Dec. 22, by Rev. David Nickland, Frank Millard Bishop and Mrs. Leonie Arline Harding, both of Norway.

DIED

In Bethel, Dec. 22, William Moore, age 46 years.

In Bethel, Dec. 22, Roscoe L. Glance, aged 67 years.

In Lewiston, Dec. 22, Mrs. Dorothy M. Martin of South Paris, aged 66 years.

In Bryant Pond, Dec. 22, Mrs. Lucy J. Beck, aged 81 years.

In Bridgton, Nov. 22, Will H. Clark, native of Orford, aged 78 years.

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annual lettermen's banquet at Gould Academy.

Deaths: Herbert J. Burgess, Mrs. Easle B. Tracy, Sockloes Newell, Mrs. Jessie W. Wheeler, Mrs. Emma A. Barker, Fred Howard, Walter Littlehale, Mrs. Ethel Vail, Miss Catherine Seaton, Leon Libby.

Roads were washed out at East Bethel and other places and crops under water following heavy rainfall.

The 80th annual meeting of the Bethel Savings Bank corporators was held at Bethel Inn.

Sixty were graduated in Gould Academy's commencement exercises.

Charles Foster of Oxford was uninjured when his car went over a 30 foot embankment into the outlet of Lake Pennesewassee.

Deaths: Alfred Mason, Guy L. Thurston, Mrs. Mortie Henderson, Dr. Maurice V. Brown, Mrs. Carrie Bartlett, Mrs. Myrtle B. Learned, Ramsey Reynolds.

July

Dr. John Trinward was associated with Dr. E. L. Brown in his dental office.

In a fire which destroyed the buildings of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Locke of Oxford, 12,000 chickens and \$300 worth of meat were lost. At a special town meeting it was voted to add a room to the Hebron village school.

There was an enrollment of 127 in the swimming classes at Song Pond.

Fred L. Douglass resigned as superintendent of the Bethel Water Co.

The Bethel airplane observation post opened, with about 70 volunteers for duty. Although several appeals for observers were made, full 24-hour service was not achieved.

The Maine Central railroad closed their Congress Street station in Rumford. The new station is on Railroad Street.

Bryant's IOA Market noted its 75th anniversary.

Walter Appleby of West Paris suffered a broken wrist, besides arm, leg and foot injuries, when he was pinned behind the steering wheel of a loaded truck which left the road.

The National Training Laboratory closed its sixth annual session in Bethel.

Deaths: Frank O. Robertson, Orell W. Brown, Fred Bartlett, Walter L. Davis, Ray F. Cotton, Cpl. Alvin C. Fisher.

August

Extremely dry weather was causing crop damage.

The annual get-together of West Bethel school was held at the Grange Hall with 26 attending.

The farm buildings of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kimball and Ernest Morrill place in Mason were burned. Loss included 12,000 chickens, four tons of grain, and much new equipment.

Ten young campers, with two counsellors, from Trout Lake Boys' Camp, East Stanachan, made a 100-mile canoe trip from Bethel to Norway, via the Androscoggin and Little Androscoggin Rivers.

The two-apartment house of Gould Academy at the corner of Church and High Streets was razed.

Bethel's fourth annual annual bazaar netted \$611.22. Of this amount \$323.27 was given for improvement of the Crescent Park School grounds.

The home of Claude Heath and family near West Bethel was burned.

There was a large attendance at the programs held in celebration of the centennial of the Bryant Pond Universalist Church.

Fire on a hillside about half a mile from the summer home of Walton Sears was confined before spreading to nearby cut-over land.

Deaths: C. Owen Demeritt, Abner B. Kimball, Cuyler Wilson, Mrs. Constance G. Wheeler.

September

Work was started on the industrial arts and agricultural building of Norway High School by Philip D. Wright, contractor. The accepted bid was \$10,350.

The overnight stop of the Maine Obsolete Automobile League's annual Lothrop Tour in Bethel attracted many spectators.

Philip Chadbourn's herd of 90 Hereford cattle drew the attention of travelers on Route 26, east of Bethel village.

There were 115 present at the annual reunion of the Thurston family at Newry Grange Hall.

Carolyn Tibbets, eighth grade pupil, was severely injured when struck in the face by a softball bat at the Crescent Park School grounds.

Deaths: Mrs. Nettie Mason, Mrs. Alfred Hale, Mrs. Amy Bennett; Jean Miller, Mrs. Minnie H. Mann; Rev. Hermon H. Colby.

October

Harold Miner, U. S. ambassador to Lebanon, spoke to students and parents at William Dillingham Gymnasium.

Deaths: Mrs. Elizabeth Vashaw, Mrs. Lucy Dean, William Moran, Roscoe Glance, Mrs. Dorothy Mar-

The Low Down From Hickory Grove

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We are branching out a bit—Sue and myself—building a new abode, a domicile you might say. Domelie—wanting to show off, so I sometimes lean toward, according to some people, not excluding Sue—means "a place where a person lives permanent versus a place where you only remain for a time." A fixed residence for short-end of "literary" show-off.

I am findin' out that instead of making our labor laws lean more toward the Labor Temple, they should lean the vice versa way. A nice gentleman—an older man—has the shingling job, he works alone, on his own hook. He thought he was on his own hook—he isn't. Having some free time on his hands, he thought he would put on a shingle or two—he lives with his son and daughter-in-law, a not too congenial arrangement sometimes. He chose to be busy elsewhere—and here is what happened. Some duck or other sawed the old gentleman on the roof with a mouth full of shingle nails. This duck reported the old gentleman to the "Temple" authorities for some kind of infraction—the Temple slapped a 100 buck fine on this man for having his mouth full of shingle nails on a holiday.

A free country this is, we say. Taint so—not for this nice old carpenter gentleman. On Nov. 4th everybody—almost everybody—voted for a change. But already, I think I detect a tapering off—a little tend toward a backslidin'. Mr. Ike has gotta call in his boy and tell 'em.

Yours with the low-down,

JO SERRA

SUNDAY RIVER

By Mrs. R. M. Fleet, Corcoran

Mrs. Laura Yates visited her sister and husband, the Dayton Whitmans, over the week end. Mrs. R. M. Fleet was in Rumford Monday afternoon.

The Yates held their family Christmas party at the Bear River Grange Hall on Dec. 25.

Charles Frost spent Christmas week with the Ernest Blisbes at Bethel.

Charles and Phillip Runnels are sick with the prevailing colds. Several others have had them but are gaining.

E Bryce Yates has Richard and Howard Watchouse with him cutting birch.

The Sunday River Church School closed on Dec. 21st with a program and tree, until March if weather permits.

Prayer, Kenneth Nowlin, Family Worship Service for Christmas night; George Reynolds, Father; Crystal Witter, Mother; Julie Reynolds, Jo Ann Rodierick, as older children; Irene Williamson, Sheila Roberts, Mary Gilman and Charles Runnels as younger children.

Hymn, "O Come All Ye Faithful,"

All Candle Lighting, Younger Children Hymn, "Jannett Isabella," Family Story, Little White Candle, George Reynolds.

Hymn, "Silent Night, Holy Night,"

All Bible Reading, Luke II 8-15, by separate members of the family.

Away in a Manger, All Prayer, George Reynolds.

Hymn, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing,"

All The Christmas Candle, Julie Reynolds.

Because Jesus Came, John Gilman

Michael and Robert Bates How Many Days, Mary Gilman Christmas, Beverly Sweetser All Ready, Charles Runnels Tree—Laura Yates dressed as Santa passed out the gifts.

The past year has been a happy one. We thankfully give the credit to all who have taken part with us and hope that in 1953 we may enjoy even more happiness, thanks to all.

Jo Ann Rodierick played an organ solo for Santa and all of us.

Jefferson Chapter, OES, at Bryant Pond.

The October meeting of Purity Chapter, OES, was held in the new Masonic Hall, formerly the Christian Science church.

The Shell service station built during the summer for Ruth Carter Ames, was opened under the management of "Pete" Chaplin.

Dr. John W. Trinward bought the dental practice of Dr. E. Linwood Brown, who retired after 42 years of service here.

Edwin A. Emerson of Norway was elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine, IOOF.

Charles Warren died in a fire which destroyed his East Oxford home.

A fire was caused at the home of Norman Mills, Bryant Pond, by the sun shining through a bottle of water.

A report of the Bethel School Survey Committee showed increasing enrollment to continue.

The fire buildings of Preston Flint, Albany, burned.

Deaths: Gordon E. Wade, Irving M. Clark, Preston D. Flint, Walter L. Fuller, Joseph Hebert.

November

Floyd Kimball of Albany was killed by a rifle bullet while hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Freeman and daughter, Lorenda, were injured in an auto crash at South Woodstock.

An albino deer was shot by a Massachusetts hunter on Betsy Mountain.

Mrs. Annie Chaney of Rumford celebrated her 100th birthday.

Maurice Churchill of Portland died when his car left the road and plunged into the pond near Locke Mills.

Bethel's Christmas street lights were put up by members of the Lions Club.

Deaths: Mrs. Florence E. Cushman, Mrs. Neva D. Potter, Floyd T. Kimball, Mrs. Dorothy E. St. Clair, Mrs. Clara E. Raymond, Mrs. Elmer Wright, James W. Gibbs, Priscilla Wiggin, James A. Norton, Charles P. Dugay, Maurice Churchill, John A. Barker, Edward B. Mason, Will H. Oils.

December

In a \$10,000 fire which destroyed a modern slaughter house and adjoining barn, the connected home of Charles M. McNamee and family was destroyed. Getting out a meal while you don't know what inhabitants you are going to have, when they will arrive, or in what quantity. It also happens that after you have decided to substitute roast for fish, someone brings in a big mess that has to be used right now—or else.